

A-11. EXPRESS BUS/BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) – PHASE 2



TVTC PROJECT SPONSOR

City of Dublin

LEAD AGENCY

Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA)

OTHER INVOLVED PARTIES

City of Livermore, City of Pleasanton

PROJECT DESCRIPTION *(UPDATED FALL 2015)*

Project A-11 is Phase 2 of the Express Bus/BRT, which consists of two phases. The express bus route associated with Phase 1 of the project has been operating since January 2011.

Phase 2 includes upgrades to and expansion of the initial Rapid Project, as well as some project refinements, updates, and maintenance/replacement of original project elements and equipment based on evaluation of the existing components and conditions at the time of funding. The transit system priorities include the following elements:

- A technologically advanced transit system
- A multi-modal transportation system that supports the local economy
- Prioritized regional transfers and connections
- Reliability and efficiency that maximizes value to taxpayers and the community

Phase 2 will consist of five key potential elements (based upon conditions at time of funding):

1. **Advanced Technology** – Design and installation of advanced technologies and road features allowing rapid transit to operate quickly and efficiently, and help to mitigate delay in dwell times, boardings, and travel times. Some of the advanced technologies and road features that LAVTA is considering for Phase 2 are: transit signal priority, enhanced stations, queue jumps, environmentally friendly coaches and advanced onboard technology, advanced fare collection systems, level boarding, dedicated travel lanes, and better integrated park and ride facilities and transit centers. Element 1 is currently budgeted at \$2 Million.
2. **North/South Express Bus/Rapid Service** – In keeping with the Alameda Countywide Transit Plan, and in order to provide a strong foundation for LAVTA's System, I-680 service expansion, North/South Express Bus/BRT service, and other Express/Rapid service options, will be explored and considered. Element 2 is currently budgeted at \$6.5 Million.
3. **Dublin Extension** – Continued study and planning will be done on how best to integrate the planned extension of Dublin Boulevard and the planned Livermore BART Extension into LAVTA's Express Bus/BRT service. Element 3 is currently budgeted at \$6.5 Million.

4. **Pleasanton Alignment** – Complete “Rapidization,” of the Livermore to Pleasanton alignment will be evaluated, with advanced technology and improved service elements planned for the south side of I-580, and possible connection to the existing Rapid service. Element 4 is currently budgeted at \$1.5 Million.
5. **Park and Ride Lots** – In working with local cities and Alameda County, LAVTA will consider improved park and ride elements to support bus, biking, and walking access in the Tri-Valley, and to improve the accessibility of transportation alternatives that would ease congestion on I-580. These options might include: construction of new lots, smart signage, improved bicycle storage, increased pedestrian accessibility and safety, enhanced multi-modal elements on coaches, and increased or revised bus service to rail stations and regional transit connections. Element 5 is currently budgeted at \$2 Million.

STATUS

Phase 1 is fully completed and operational, as of January 2011.

Phase 2 is in the research, design, and planning stage. In August 2016, LAVTA realigned the Express Bus/BRT Route (Route 30R) to serve Las Positas College, and transformed existing Route 10 into an Express Bus/BRT (Route 10R) operating through Pleasanton to BART. The transformation of Route 10 into Route 10R was the first step in implementation of the Phase 2 Pleasanton Alignment. LAVTA intends to implement additional items from Phase 2 (Advanced Technology) to both Routes 10R and 30R in 2017, which includes upgrading the traffic signal priority onboard the buses and at key intersections along both Rapid routes.

PHASING AND SCHEDULE

Costs for Phase 2 have been updated to reflect current pricing for the project elements listed above. Phase 2 Scope of work, schedule, and full funding parameters are not known at this time.

COST ESTIMATE AND FUNDING SOURCES

Phase 2:

Cost (Millions, 2015)	\$18.50
Funding (Millions, 2015)	
TVTDF	\$1.14
Total Funding (Millions, 2015)	\$1.14
Total Funding Shortfall (Millions, 2015)	\$17.36